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**REISSUE DECLARATION UNDER
37 C.F.R. §1.175 AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

We hereby declare that:

1. Our residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.
2. We believe that we are the original, first and sole inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 6,342,590 (original patent) granted on January 29, 2002, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled: ERYTHROMYCIN A DERIVATIVES AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME, the specification of which:

[X] is attached hereto.

[] was filed on _____ as reissue application no. _____ and was amended on _____.

3. We do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States before our invention thereof; and to the best of our knowledge and belief, said invention was not in public use or on sale in the United States more than one (1) year prior to our application or patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention or more than one (1) year prior to our application or patented in any foreign country.

4. We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and claims of the reissue application as amended by a Preliminary Amendment.

5. We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

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Art Unit	Not yet assigned
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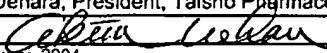
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*Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)***SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record**

Name	Akira Uehara, President, Taisho Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd.		
Signature			
Date	27 January, 2004	Telephone	011-81-03-3985-1111

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE

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Sir:

The undersigned, by authority vested in him by Taisho Pharmaceutical Company, Limited, assignee of the entire interest in U.S. Patent No. 6,342,590, the invention described therein, and in any reissue thereof by assignment recorded at Reel 4770, Frame 0623, hereby assents on behalf of the assignee to the accompanying application for reissue.

Date: 27 January, 2004

By: Akira Uehara

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Sir:

Taisho Pharmaceutical Company, Limited, a corporation in Tokyo, Japan,
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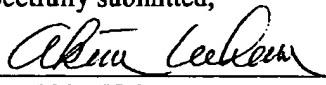
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